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SALE OF PLATFROM TICKETS AT RAILWAY STATIONS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `Railway station par platform tickets hi nahin milata` published in the `Dainik Jagaran` dated May 30, 2000;

(b) if so, the reasons for non-availability of platform tickets at Naya Azadpur railway station despite the fact that as many as 10,000 passengers come over there to bound the trains and more than 100 wagons arrive carrying fruits; and

(c) the details of action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a): Yes, sir.

(b) & (c): Platform tickets are intended for sale at important and major stations where long distance Mail/Express trains stop or originate or terminate. In case of stations not supplied with platform tickets, the Station Masters have the powers to allow free entry to platform to persons who wish to enter the station to meet or see off their friends/relations travelling by trains if he is satisfied about their intentions.

Naya Azadpur station is a suburban station having daily traffic volume of 1500 to 2000, mainly of commuters who purchase Monthly and Quarterly Season Tickets. Wagons carrying goods are dealt in the goods shed, which is away from the passenger platform and thus platform tickets are not required for entering there. However, anticipating the demand of platform tickets this year, provision is being made for supply of platform tickets at this station.